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NOTICE OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP

Discussion of the Transition to Compliance Offset Quantification Methodologies

Staff of the Air Resources Board (ARB or Board) invites you to participate in a workshop to discuss the transition of four greenhouse gas project protocols, developed by the Climate Action Reserve (CAR), to compliance offset quantification methodologies for use in a proposed California Cap-and-Trade program. Specifically, staff will be discussing the transition process for the CAR Forestry Project Protocols Version 2.1 and 3.0, CAR Livestock Project Protocol Version 2.1, the CAR Urban Forest Project Protocol Version 1.0, and the CAR Ozone Depleting Substances Project Protocol Version 1.0. The workshop will focus on aligning the most recent versions of these protocols with compliance offset criteria being developed in the proposed Cap-and-Trade Regulation.

Workshop Time and Location

We encourage you to take public transportation, carpool, or drive a low emission/high efficiency vehicle whenever possible. The public workshop will be held at the following location and will also be webcast.

Date: Wednesday, June 23, 2010
Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Location: Coastal Hearing Room
1001 'I' Street
Sacramento, CA 95814
Directions: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/EPABldg/location.htm>

This workshop will provide the public an opportunity to provide comment on areas of the protocols that staff is proposing to modify.

Background

Previously, the Air Resources Board had adopted the quantification methodologies for the CAR Forestry Protocols Version 2.1 and 3.0, CAR Livestock Protocol Version 2.1, and the CAR Urban Forest Protocol Version 1.0 as being sound accounting practices for use in voluntary carbon markets. In addition, CAR also approved the Ozone

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Depleting Substances Project Protocol Version 1.0 in February 2010. At its February 25, 2010, meeting, the Board approved a staff proposal to transition away from approval of project protocols for voluntary purposes to the adoption of offset quantification methodologies that could be used for compliance within a proposed Cap-and-Trade program.

Video/Audio Webcast

A live video/audio webcast will be available for the workshop at the following link: <http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/?BDO=1>. ARB recommends that you do not run other programs while viewing the webcast, as it may interrupt or lower the quality of the signal. You can also submit your questions and comments during the workshops to ccworkshops@arb.ca.gov.

Special Accommodations or Language Assistance

If you require a special accommodation or need this document in an alternate format (i.e. Braille, large print) or another language, please contact Ms. Lisa Schenck at (916) 322-6021 or lschenck@arb.ca.gov as soon as possible, but no later than 10 business days before the scheduled event/meeting. TTY/TDD/Speech to Speech users may dial 711 for the California Relay Service.

If you have questions, please contact Ms. Rajinder Sahota, Manager, Climate Change Verification and Protocols Section, at (916) 323-8503, or rsahota@arb.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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